Appendix E: Olmstead Accountability Benchmark Document

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1A. Capital Assistance for Housing Developme	nt			
1A.1 Develop new housing units for persons with disabilities and new supportive housing units utilizing state capital funding.	Number of units produced under Community Based Housing (CBH) and Facilities Consolidation Fund (FCF) programs (estimated 150 units).	Department of Mental Health	FCF-DMH – 8 projects Certified thru Mar.; 6 projects with 25 units (22- 1bdrm & 3-studios); 2 GLEs (6&5 bdrm); total capacity all projects 36	
		Dept. of Developmental Services	FCF-DDS: In 2018, DDS has certified 18 projects to serve 77 DDS individuals.	
		DHCD	48 FCF-DMH units funded in Calendar 2018, no funding round Q4 2018	
		DHCD	87 FCF-DDS units/bedrooms funded in Calendar 2018, 17 FCF-DDS units/bedrooms funded in rolling applications in Q4 2018	
		DHCD	15 CBH units funded in Calendar 2018, no funding round in Q4, 2018	
1A.2 Develop new housing units for persons with disabilities and new supportive housing	Number of supportive housing units produced with other capital	DHCD	145 units of supportive housing funded in SH Round with Housing	

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units utilizing other capital funding.	resources such as Housing Trust Fund (estimated 150 units annually).	DHCD	Trust Fund in Calendar 2018, no funding rounds in Q4, 2018 In Winter Rental Round 2018, funding was committed for 45 units of housing for non-elderly homeless individuals, 19 units for homeless	
1B. Rental Assistance				
1B.1 Include \$1 million per year in DMH FY2019, FY2020, and FY2021 budget requests to expand DMH-RSP in order to increase community-integrated housing opportunities, estimated to support an additional 87 individuals with SMI each year, promoting movement within the continuum of DMH residential services.	Allocate to the field estimated 87 subsidy vouchers for leasing.	Department of Mental Health DHCD	FY19 included an additional \$1M from the Legislature (\$2M total new), revised estimate upward to 170 new vouchers*. DMH has leased 88 units / vouchers to-date, additional 32 individuals are pre-enrolled, anticipate 120 total new vouchers leased end of March. FY2020 budget request from DMH includes an additional \$1M for the DMH-RSP. *HUD adjusted up Boston-Cambridge-Quincy FMR significantly which, will result in increased cost per unit; in turn will impact the number of units to be leased.	
1B.2 Utilize Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) or Mass Rental Voucher Program (MRVP) for supportive using units receiving capital funds through DHCD rental funding rounds. The exact commitment of funds (and estimated	Estimated 100 project-based vouchers tied to supportive housing units, plus an estimated 20-30 project-based vouchers tied to units targeting persons with disabilities,	DHCD	DHCD awarded 46 MRVP project- based vouchers to the Supportive Housing Round in FY19. Awards are currently under review. In addition DHCD committed up to 100	

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number of units funded) is dependent on the needs of the specific projects selected for capital funds.	funded annually.		additional MRVP and 100 HCV project-based vouchers to other funding rounds in FY19.
1B.3 Utilize HUD 811 Project Rental Assistance to transition MassHealth members from long-stay facilities to the community and to address the housing needs of other priority populations, with long-term services and supports from MassHealth, MRC and other EOHHS agencies.	Lease-up all FY 12 PRA grant-funded units. The state must lease all units from the FY12 grant by 9/30/2020.	MassHealth/DHCD	As of 12/31/18 (the last 811 PRA reporting date) 23 households had been leased with 811 PRA vouchers. As of that date, 58 units in total have committed to utilize 811 PRA funds (35 units are unavailable or currently under construction)
1B.4 Apply for new Mainstream (Section 811) Vouchers in response to HUD's 2018 NOFA to serve non-elderly persons with disabilities who are: transitioning from institutional or other segregated settings to community living; at serious risk of institutionalization; homeless; or at risk of becoming homeless.	If awarded, begin implementation of grant (number of vouchers depends on award amount).	DHCD	DHCD applied for and was awarded approximately \$800K for approximately 80 Mainstream Vouchers. Implementation planning is underway.
1C. Policy Initiatives			
 1C.1 Facilitate the construction and supply of new housing units to increase housing supply and choice. Elements include: New and better coordinated technical assistance, including coordination by the Housing Choice Program Director at DHCD as well as \$2 million in planning assistance from MassHousing to help cities and towns achieve their affordable housing 	Support Housing Choice legislation modifying state zoning laws to make it easier for municipalities to zone for growth. Implement Housing Choice grant program (DHCD), providing grants to municipalities with high rates of housing production, particularly those that have adopted housing	DHCD	To date, 79 communities have been designated as Housing Choice Communities, and 10 of such designations were made in 2019. In FY19, \$4 MM was awarded to 19 Housing Choice Communities. An additional \$1 MM was awarded to eligible Small Towns for a total of 12 projects, all of which either created
goals.	best practices designed to support		or supported housing projects.

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Providing Housing Choice designated	housing production (~\$4 million in Y1).		
municipalities exclusive access to a new state grant program that will make grants	Provide \$2 million in planning	MassHousing	Implemented an initial round of
for local capital projects as a reward for	assistance to help cities and towns	ividasi iodsirig	funding in May of 2018; from a poo
housing production.	achieve their affordable housing		of 29 applicants, 14 projects were
0.	goals through MassHousing		awarded a total funding level of
	"Planning for Housing Production"		\$868,500.
	program.		
		DHCD	Haram release by the H.C. Consus
Tracking progress toward a goal of adding		DHCD	Upon release by the U.S. Census Bureau of the 2018 Building Permit
135,000 new housing units statewide by			Survey data, DHCD will begin tracking
2025, or about 17,000 units per year.			new unit construction.
• Legislation, filed as an Act to Promote			The Housing Choice legislation was
Housing Choices, that would change state			refiled by the Governor in 2019.
law to reduce the required vote from a			
2/3 "supermajority" to a simple majority			
vote for zoning changes that eliminate			
barriers to building new housing and improving land use.			
Offering communities that achieve	Establish "one-stop shopping"		
"Housing Choice" designation extra points	coordination for information about	DHCD	Conducting quarterly coordination
on a wide variety of state capital grants as	technical assistance and related		meetings across agencies covering 14
incentive to build housing and to adopt	grants for local governments (DHCD).		different grant and technical
housing production best practices.	Implement systems to track progress		assistance programs. Developed and
	toward production goal.		distributed a Database of Technical
			Assistance and Grants to regional planning agencies, posted on DHCD's
			Housing Choice website.

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1C.2 Expand the MassHousing 3% Priority Program, currently serving DMH and DDS clients, to housing financed by other state housing funders/lenders such as MassDevelopment and Mass Housing Partnership and to other populations impacted by Olmstead issues, including clients of EOEA and MRC.	Execute Memorandum of Understanding among State Housing and EOHHS Agencies, Publish an Operations Manual. Implement requirement for future funding rounds. Implement a web-based system for unit notification.	DMH DDS MRC EOEA DHCD MassHousing Mass Housing Partnership MassDevelopment	Responsible agencies are active participants in development of MOU and Operational Manual.
1C.3 Expand TPP with the Housing Court to previously unserved jurisdictions, including Norfolk County, southern Middlesex County, Suffolk County outside of Boston, the Cape and Islands, and continue support for the TPP upstream prevention initiative begun in 2016.	90% of households receiving TPP support will have tenancy preserved by remaining in place or moving to other housing, with 70% remaining in place. An estimated 95% of households receiving TPP upstream prevention support will have tenancy preserved, with 85% remaining in place.	MassHousing	TPP: 95% tenancy preserved, with 83% remaining in place Upstream: 94% tenancy preserved, with 91% remaining in place.

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1C.4 Develop strategies to enhance utilization by people with disabilities of vouchers provided under programs such as the Section 811 PRA program, and the Alternative Housing Voucher Program.	Number of units created under 811 Project Rental Assistance program (estimated 50 units). Raise AHVP ceiling rents to 90% of FMR.	MassHealth/DHCD/DMH/MRC/DDS	811 PRA has leased 23 households (all currently available units) as of 12/31/18
1C.5 Deploy a centralized statewide electronic portal for applications for the state-funded public housing program to allow applicants to apply to any one or more of the 240 local housing authorities in the Commonwealth through submission of a single application.	Portal to be made available to LHAs in the summer of 2018 and to housing applicants by January of 2019.	DHCD	Portal ("CHAMP") was made available to housing applicants on April 10, 2019
1C.6 EOEA will work with Continuums of Care to explore implementation of a homeless preference in privately owned senior housing developments developed under the HUD 202 program.	At least 5 properties will decide to implement a new waiting list preference for homeless elders.	Elder Affairs	Two housing agencies are currently finalizing plans to establish a waiting list preference for homeless elders in 8 different properties across the state
1C.7 Continue to support funding for Housing Consumer Education Centers (HCEC) that can provide affordable housing navigation as well as homelessness prevention across the state. 1D. Interagency Collaboration and Program Co.	Over \$2 million anticipated in funding for HCECs annually (subject to appropriation).	DHCD	Approximately \$3 million in funding for HCECs in FY19.

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1D.1 Pilot joint DHCD/EOHHS procurements to address the housing and service needs of vulnerable populations with disabilities, including elders and individuals and families experiencing homelessness through supportive housing with dedicated services.	ICHH Committee for Supportive Housing Production and Services will identify specific opportunities to test at least three joint procurements to address housing and service needs in supportive housing.	ICHH Committee for Supportive Housing Production and Services	- Greater alignment of DHCD family shelter procurement with EOHHS services, including MassHealth flexible services to support housing stabilization for eligible homeless families -Procurement of an HMIS data warehouse to support tracking of homeless populations to inform services provided by DHCD and EOHHS -DHE and DHCD request of HUD to support housing for homeless college students with MTW funds-support for services will be provided by DHE and EOHHS -DHCD and DPH coordination to support individuals with substance use issues in several shelters in the state		
1D.2 The ICHH Committee for Supportive Housing Production and Services is working to develop goals for production necessary to increase housing inventory for vulnerable populations in need of targeted services.	Develop table of goals for creating housing opportunities for subpopulations – veterans, elders, families, youth, persons with disabilities.	ICHH Committee for Supportive Housing Production and Services	Draft table is in the process of being completed, subject to further agency input		

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1D.3 Led by EOHHS and EOEA, explore partnerships with healthcare systems and medical facilities serving high utilizers of medical and/or behavioral health services who are homeless or unstably housed in order to identify resources to invest in expanding respite care and PSH capacity.	Issue NOFA and award funds for Special Section 811 PRA Pilot for chronically homeless high utilizers of health care requiring investment from health care entities.		
1D.4 Evaluate community integration programs, including through a survey of providers of PSH funded under DHCD supportive housing rounds, to ensure that SH and PSH programs, including those intended as "low threshold," are serving their intended target populations.	Review outcome measurement of survey responses from owners of PSH funded through DHCD supportive housing rounds (for an estimated 6-10 projects annually in addition to the 35 projects previously surveyed) Evaluate survey responses.	CEDAC/DHCD	Evaluated 2018 PSH survey responses. Determined readministration of the PSH survey in 2020/2021, which will survey at least 40 projects.
1E. Accessibility			
1E.1 Evaluate the successful use and continued functionality of state-funded supportive housing projects supported by Chapter 689, FCF, CBH, HIF and other state funding sources, in order to better manage and monitor the utilization of this important	Assemble inventory of properties and develop checklist for evaluation of status.	DHCD/CEDAC, DMH, DDS, DCAMM	Established and regularly convening a working group amongst the responsible agencies to prevent loss of inventory of group homes that are vulnerable to loss due to expiring DCAMM leases or outmoded physical

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affordable and accessible housing portfolio, and to improve the quality and accessibility of the portfolio over time.		S-10/(/	plans. DHCD/CEDAC broadened contractor (FinePoint) monitoring to include the FCF portfolio. DDS has been actively engaged in assembling its portfolio of156 Ch 689 sites and 314 FCF residences.
1E.2 Provide reasonable accommodation training regularly to PHAs and private management companies. Training to include awareness of reasonable accommodations that may be needed by people who are deaf or hard of hearing.	MassHousing will offer six Fair Housing and Reasonable Accommodation-related trainings, which will include info on accommodations needed by people who are deaf or hard of hearing. MassNAHRO & NEAHMA share MassHousing's training schedule with their members.	MassHousing	5 Fair Housing & Reasonable Accommodations trainings, expect 7 by June 30 th .
1E.3 As public housing capital funds permit, continue to target capital funding of at least \$1-2 million annually to increase accessibility in DHCD's state-aided public housing, including funding to assist LHAs in responding to requests for reasonable modifications to state-aided public housing. DHCD is committed to the goal of having 5% fully accessible units across the entire state-aided portfolio.	Continue to target capital funding to assist LHAs in responding to reasonable modification requests and accessibility requirements relating to capital improvements (exceeds at least \$1 million annually).	DHCD	Notice of Funding Availability for Accessible Unit Initiative released April 17, 2019, committing \$3 million annually in FY21 and FY22. Subject to funding availability, DHCD plans to continue this level of commitment for at least 5 years.

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1E.4 Provide Home Modification Loan Program (HMLP) funds for access improvements. The Administration has committed up to \$6.5 million annually (subject to capital plan approval) in capital bond funds through 2022 for HMLP, including up to 10% of funding program. The bond bill includes administration-proposed program modifications to make HMLP a resource for landlords to make rental housing accessibility improvements.	Update guidelines for expanded use of HMLP.	MRC/CEDAC	For FY 19 through January, 73 consumers have been served through HMLP. The program has created policy structure for landlord access to grants for rental housing improvements, with a pilot program in process of being launched.	
1E.5 Explore how best to increase access to housing options for people with Autism, including identification of housing design features most frequently needed by individuals with Autism and how to incorporate and integrate those in existing, rehabilitated, and new affordable and supportive housing units.	Identify the different types of low-cost housing potentially available for individuals with disabilities, including for individuals with autism, such as subsidized rental housing and public housing.			
1E.6 Review, refine and update current design guidelines for FCF and CBH and convene a working group to refine and update these guidelines to address the geographic and environmental diversity of guidelines to address and guidelines and update these guidelines and update these guidelines and update these guidelines and update these guidelines and update current suburban and update suburban and u	Assemble working group, identify funding and engage consultants to assist with new guideline development. Complete updated CBH Design Guidelines.	Department of Mental Health DHCD/CEDAC	DMH hosted presentation on Housing Design and Mental Health (3-13-19) Updated CBH design guidelines have	
rural, suburban and urban constraints and influences. DHCD, EOHHS and CEDAC will convene such working group to review the guidelines.	Guideimes.		been drafted and completion is pending final comments from the working group; training on updated guidelines to follow.	

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2A. Expanding Access to Community Based Serv	ices		
2A.1 As part of its Medicaid 1115 Waiver Renewal, Massachusetts will invest \$1.8 billion over the next five years to support the transition toward Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs). ACOs that will be held contractually responsible for the quality, coordination and total cost of members' care. ACOs will contract with designated Community Partners, community-based health care and human service organizations that will partner with ACOs to integrate and improve health outcomes of MassHealth members with complex long term medical and/or behavioral health needs	Contract with Community Partners effective June 1, 2018. In state fiscal year 2019, the State will invest \$60 million in the community partners program.	MassHealth	MassHealth has executed contracts with Community Partners. MassHealth is also expecting to invest \$60 million in the CP program by the end of SFY19.
2A.2 Expand MassHealth coverage for substance use disorder (SUD) and co-occurring disorder (COD) treatment to include a continuum of 24-hour community-based rehabilitation services, care coordination and recovery services, including the evidence-based practices of Medication Assisted Therapy and Critical Time Intervention.	Assess MassHealth spending for SUD and COD treatment.	MassHealth	MassHealth has taken efforts to identify and track spending on services for SUD and COD treatment during the year.
2B. Promoting Services That Facilitate Transition	ns from Institutional Settings		
2B.1 Increase capacity in two Moving Forward Plan (MFP; formerly Money Follows the Person) HCBS waivers and two Acquired Brain	Increase total unduplicated member slots as follows: • ABI-Nonresidential Habilitation:	Department of Developmental Services	DDS is on target to open 57 homes in FY19
Injury (ABI) HCBS waivers and two Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) HCBS waivers over the course of the five-year renewal period.	 ABI-Nonresidential Habilitation: 120 slots per year (increased from 110 slots in the prior waiver year) ABI-Residential Habilitation: 	MassHealth	MH renewed the ABI and MFP waivers with slot capacity for Waiver Year 1 as outlined in the

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Activity	Yr 1 (5/1/18-4/30/19) – 596 slots (increased from 513 slots in the prior waiver year) • MFP-Community Living: Yr 1 (4/1/18-3/31/19) – 843 slots (increased from 729 slots in the prior waiver year) • MFP-Residential Supports: Yr 1 (4/1/18-3/31/19) – 364 slots (increased from 304 slots in the prior waiver year)	MassHealth funds support	Year 1 Measure. MH plans additional increases in total unduplicated member slots as follows: • ABI-Residential Habilitation: Yr 2 (5/1/19-4/30/20) – 636 slots (increased from 596 slots in the prior waiver year) • MFP-Community Living: Yr 2 (4/1/19-3/31/20) – 943 slots (increased from 843 slots in the prior waiver year) • MFP-Residential Supports: Yr 2 (4/1/19-3/31/20) – 424 slots (increased from 364 slots in the prior waiver year) Note that MH does not plan to increase the number of slots in year 2 for the ABI-Nonresidential Habilitation waiver. That waiver's total capacity will remain at 120 slots, the same as the year 1 measure.)
		slots; MRC responsible for administering the two non-	
		residential waivers and DDS for	

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		residential waivers.	
2B.2 Enhance efforts to transition from State	DMH to organize resources and	Department of Mental Health	Progress To-Date
Hospital continuing-care beds individuals with	training to initiate implementation of		
serious and persistent mental illness that are	20% annual target.		Implementation steps are underway
determined discharge ready and able to safely			
move into community-based living	Develop standard definitions, data		
opportunities with appropriate supports.	collection system and evaluate data		
Establish a DMH State Hospital Discharge	integrity.		
Review Team that provides Peer-to-Peer case			
consultation to facilitate discharge planning.			
2B.3 Ensure that people admitted to nursing	100% of individuals with ID/DD	Department of Developmental	When such individuals are identified
facilities meet the level of care, and when	admitted to a nursing facility have a	Services	through pre-admission screening and
nursing facility level of care is no longer	PASRR evaluation indicating NH level		resident review (PASRR), the
needed, are transitioned to the community.	of care.		Department will, except in special
			circumstances, identify appropriate
	Implement 90-day PASRR approvals to		services and arrange for community
	allow for short-term nursing facility		placement for the individual as soon
	admissions.		as practicable. This covers adults with
	T 14000/ 6: 1::1		intellectual disability or a
	Track 100% of individuals receiving a		developmental disability who are
	PASRR evaluation through a statewide		screened for admission or admitted to
	database.		a nursing facility in Massachusetts and
	Assume fordered commission to the second		who are eligible for supports and
	Assure federal compliance through		services provided, purchased, or
	administrative case management		arranged by the Department.
	processes.		
		DDS/EHS. [While DMH also has	Under federal law and EHS/DDS
		PASRR obligations regarding	PASRR processes, every individual
		individuals who have or are	seeking admission to a nursing facility
		suspected to have SMI, these	who has or is suspected to have ID/DD
		measures seem to be focused	must receive a PASRR evaluation from
		measures seem to be rocused	must receive a PASKK evaluation from

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		on DDS's responsibility for the evaluation and determination functions for individuals who have or are suspected to have ID/DD.]	DDS. The nursing facility may not admit such an individual unless DDS determines, among other things, that he or she requires a NF level of care. 90-day PASRR approvals implemented. It is EHS's understanding that the statewide database and case management processes have been implemented – DDS should confirm.
2B.4 Explore expansion of funding for the MRC Supported Living Program in order to serve more individuals.	Explore feasibility and costs for expansion. Develop budget request for increased funds based on findings.	Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission	MRC is presently initiating small-scale pilot expansions of the Supported Living Program in three areas: 1. Case coordination to assist individuals to qualify and obtain housing in the community; 2. Short-term case coordination to assist individuals in resolving short-term challenges or finding and accessing resources; and 3. Expansion of Supported Living services to individuals with disabilities other than a severe physical disability. These pilots will assist MRC in gauging the level of need for these

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			services along with the challenges to providing these expanded models. We also hope to identify the resources needed to provide these services on a broader scale, and use these findings to develop a budget request.
2C. Promoting Services That Support People wit	h Disabilities to Remain in their Homes a	nd Community-Based Settings	
2C.1 Advance self-determination through expanding self-direction outreach and encouragement to share self-direction experiences, developing opportunities for stakeholders to gather on a regular basis to discuss the self-direction model, continuing to	Increase participation in both the Agency with Choice (AWC) and Participant Directed Program (PDP) by a combined total of 120 individuals annually.	Department of Developmental Services	In Fy19 there was a 245 increase of individuals in AWC/PDP
improve training materials and simplifying the self-direction process.	Introduce self-direction to participants and families prior to transition to DDS adult services.		This is part of the Individual transition Planning process for DDS
	Make self-direction materials available to families and individuals at the annual ISP.		This is part of the ISP process for DDS
	Add at least five new speakers in the Self-Direction Speakers Bureau.		
	Host at least monthly support broker/service coordinator forums in each region and an annual statewide support broker conference. Issue guidance on how participants		

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	can utilize Flexible Spending allocations. Continue to work with the financial management services vendor to improve the process of managing the self-direction model through the online portal and call centers.		DDS Area Offices continue to hold forums on AWC/PDP locally and at statewide conferences	
2C.2 Increase the supply and quality of Personal Care Attendants (PCAs) by improving the online registry to connect PCAs and consumers in the self-directed program and increasing outreach and marketing efforts to attract individuals to work as PCAs.	Launch upgraded online registry that will include new and enhanced features, such as accessibility through smart phones and other devices, email alerts. PCA workforce council takes steps to recruit new PCAs to participate in the program, such as organizing informal meet-and-greets between consumers and potential PCAs.	PCA Workforce Council	The PCA workforce council has launched the upgraded online registry described in the year 1 measure. Similarly, the council has engaged in various PCA recruiting events, including through organizing informal meet-and-greets.	
2C.3 Increase the current PCA wage to \$15/hour effective July 1, 2018, as part of its continued effort to attract and maintain individuals to work as PCAs.	Implement wage increase.	PCA Workforce Council	Wage increase implemented.	
2C.4 Expand MassHealth initiatives to improve to the supply and quality of Continuous Skilled Nursing (CSN) services in the community and increasing annual MassHealth spending on	In 2018, MassHealth, in partnership with UMMS's Community Case Management (CCM) program, will host a training on Inpatient Facility	MassHealth	MassHealth and the CCM program hosted a training session on inpatient facility discharge for CCM members.	

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CSN services.	Discharge Planning for CCM members. MassHealth also proposes to increase the scope of CCM to include more case management activities. These enhancements will partially be reflected in the UMMS-MassHealth 2018 ISA.		MassHealth and the CCM program, in collaboration with various stakeholders, developed and implemented a one year pilot program designed to assist members with identifying available CSN service providers and assist CSN service providers with identifying available, unfilled CSN hours.
2C.5 Explore expansion of funding for the Assistive Technology (AT) Independent living program.	Explore feasibility and costs for expansion, and create budget request based on serving 475 individuals per year.	MRC	Over 500 individuals are expected to receive services through this program in FY19. MRC is analyzing the demand and costs in preparation for FY21 budgeting.
2C.6 Seek additional funding to expand the REquipment program, which redistributes over 1,000 AT devices annually.	Explore feasibility and costs for expansion and create a budget request based on identified need.	MRC	Increased funding in FY19 allowed program expansion, which has resulted in an increase in the number of reassigned DME devices and the establishment of two new drop-off sites, in Salem and New Bedford. MRC is analyzing program needs and costs to identify long-term budget needs.
2C.7 Improve statewide coverage and expedite access to redistributed AT devices.	Explore feasibility and costs for expansion and create a budget request based on identified need. Feasibility will be determined using a study of types of AT devices that lend themselves to being refurbished and a survey of the potential of expansion for the program and potential program models.	MRC	MRC is exploring available mechanisms for redistribution of AT devices other than Durable Medical Equipment.

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2C.8 Partner with the Mass Healthy Aging Collaborative to support and increase the number of communities pursuing Age Friendly and/or Dementia Friendly designations or certifications. and to support Massachusetts in becoming an Age Friendly State.	Continue to build age friendly movement in MA. Deepen capacity building at local level. Embed access, equity and cultural inclusion in age friendly work.	Elder Affairs	Massachusetts was accepted in the AARP Network of Age-Friendly States and Communities and submitted a multi-year action plan in January 2019 with access, equity and inclusion as a central focus. There are currently over 200 communities in Massachusetts engaged in age and dementia friendly initiatives. The Baker-Polito introduced the Age and Dementia Friendly Best Practice area for the Community Compact Program for Fiscal Year 2019 to support local municipalities in age friendly efforts. Presented about age and dementia friendly initiatives, including the statewide effort at numerous	
			conferences, including the Mass Municipal Association Annual Trade Show and Conference.	
2C.9 Increase the number of individuals who are legally blind that receive blindness critical specialized wrap-around services (Orientation and Mobility, Rehabilitation Teaching & Assistive Technology), leading to productive independence and full community participation	Increase the number of individuals who are legally blind that receive blindness critical specialized wraparound services by 3%.	МСВ	MCB is working on a Business Process Redesign for new consumer registration process. In addition, a communication plan for reaching out to eye professionals in the Commonwealth is in progress.	

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2C.10 Promote the inclusion of training for DPH Community Health Workers, in both their core competency training and continuing education, the topics of hearing health, aural rehabilitation, vision rehabilitation, use of available technology solutions and a patient long-term support plan incorporating group interventions to improve hearing care treatment, and vision rehabilitation (including services available from the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind, thereby increasing independence and reducing admissions to institutional settings.		Department of Public Health Mass Commission for the Blind	The Board of Certification of CHWs meets monthly and is currently reviewing the application for training programs, which will include submission of their curricula. In FY20, there will be an opportunity to assess current training opportunities and work with the Office of CHWs to support approved training programs in offering topics designed to equip CHWs in supporting individuals' independent living.	
2C.11 Continue and expand DMH Jail/Arrest Diversion Grant Program, which funds local communities/municipalities to train law enforcement and other public safety personnel to: (1) recognize the sign and symptoms of mental disorders, particularly serious mental illness (SMI) and/or serious emotional disturbance (SED); (2) identify person with a mental disorder and employ crisis de-escalation techniques; (3) learn about resources that are available in the community for individuals with a mental disorder; (4) establish linkages with schools, community-based mental health agencies, and to (5) refer individuals with the signs or symptoms of mental illness to appropriate services.	Expand participation to impact over 75 communities.	Department of Mental Health	Progress To-Date DMH has funded 63 communities	

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2C.12 Continue DMH provision of funding for: one Forensic Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Team with Peer support staff; and a Forensic Transition Team (specialty care management service for individuals being release from jails/prisons).	Serve 850 individuals with MH disorders and criminal justice involvement annually.	Department of Mental Health	Progress To-Date DMH served 260 individuals in the 1 st Qtr. Jan-Mar.
2D. Improving the Capacity and Quality of Service	ces		
2D.1 Bring settings of DDS and MRC residential and other site-based services into compliance with the HCBS final rule by the federal deadline for transition (March 2022), and ensure compliance of new settings, as appropriate.	Work with challenged providers on individual transition plans. Work with day providers on enhancing services. Continue surveying providers with strengthened tool to evaluate and	Department of Developmental Services Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission	DDS continues to work collaboratively with providers on achieving the goals. The final transition plan is under review. All MRC sites are in compliance.
 2D.2 Invest \$83 million to re-design and strengthen DMH's largest adult community service program to better meet the needs of the approximately 11,000 adults with long-term, serious mental illness enrolled in the program annually. Adult Community Clinical Services will provide: Clinical services provided by an integrated team 24/7/365; Individualized care that focuses on Peer Support, includes treatment for SUD as needed and responds to individuals' needs 	ensure compliance. New contracts go into effect on July 1, 2018; implement new delivery system, assure adherence to standard implementation tools for all data collection, monitoring and review.	Department of Mental Health	Progress To-Date All contracts were procured and are fully operational.

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 as they change across the age continuum; and Focus on achieving greater self-sufficiency, including job placement and education completion. 			
2D.3 Explore strategies to address challenges in attracting and retaining high quality/highly skilled staff across provider agencies, improving training opportunities for staff and/or job applicants to enhance their skills and knowledge, equipping them to successfully serve and support high acuity/high need populations.	Conduct an online survey of provider agencies, including direct care workers, to obtain input on recruitment strategies and need for enhanced training.		
2D.4 To support homeless prevention and more effective discharge planning efforts across populations develop new protocols to help ensure that agencies and institutions receiving funding from the Commonwealth must make all legally supportable efforts to ensure that individuals are not discharged to the streets or shelters.	Convene working group, identify relevant agencies, and develop outline of contract language required.	ІСНН	Working group to be convened with support from OSD and state agencies – recommendations for contract language by Fall of 2019
2E. Promoting Awareness of Community-Based	Services		
2E.1 EOHHS and EOEA will continue to inform people with disabilities about the opportunities available to them to receive care in the community, including through Self-Directed Care.	90% of consumers (including elders and individuals with disabilities) receiving options counseling services rate the encounter as enabling them to make a more informed choice.	Elder Affairs	
2E.2 Continue optimizing the means by which people with disabilities access community-integrated services, including Self-Directed Care and other supports, and supports of their	DDS has contracted with the Human Services Research Institute to conduct an evaluation and review of the "Real Lives Participant Directed Program."	Department of Developmental Services	Draft of completed report by SRI will be presented to the Self Determination Advisory Board for approval on 4/3/19

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choice throughout Massachusetts through person-centered, decision-support options counseling services that honor choice and independence throughout Massachusetts.	DDS will publish the results of the evaluation in 2018.			
2E.3 Support and expand awareness of newly established "Memory Cafés," drop-in centers where individuals with memory loss can socialize with their caregivers and friends in a setting outside the home and establish relationships with persons in similar circumstances.	Continue funding the 11 existing DDS Memory Cafes. Coordinate with ADRCs, MCOA, Area Offices and Regional Offices to publicize the inclusive Memory Cafes.	Department of Developmental Services	This initiatives has its own funding line item # 5920-3025 This continues with great success as each memory cafes serves over 100 individuals.	
2E.4 Build and foster relationships between the disability community and as well as identify opportunities for them to present and/or promote Attainable Savings Plans amongst the community.	Expand awareness of the ABLE Savings Plan (known as Attainable Savings Plan in MA). Conduct quarterly stakeholder trainings and a minimum of three public events per month across the state.			
2E.5 Educate state agencies and community-based organizations providing community-based care and housing supports regarding the prevalence of hearing loss and visual impairment across the population and be directed agencies and CBOs to the Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (MCDHH) and/or the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind for technical assistance.	Provide monthly In-service training to new employees on blindness	МСВ	MCB continues to provide the inservices and trainings.	

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Activity 2E.6 Provide information on community care options and housing supports to Deaf and Hard of Hearing Independent Living Services (DHILS) programs, Independent Living programs, Long-term Care Ombudsmen programs and Aging and Disability Resource Centers.	Year 1 Measure	Responsible Agency(ies)	Progress to Date
2E.7 Provide written information about community care options and housing supports as a VLOG in American Sign Language (ASL) and via audio and Braille for people who are blind or have low vision.	Complete a resource guide in an electronic format and make it available on the MCB website	Mass. Commission for the Blind	In progress
2E.8 Educate EOHHS agency staff and provider organizations on the range of community transportation services that may be available to their consumers.	Offer at least 12 presentations (inperson or by webinar).	MassMobility	 7 so far: BIA-MA conference 3/28/19 ICI webinar 3/20/19 Arc webinar 2/12/19 MCB Central staff meeting 2/4/19 Haverhilll Arc peer group 1/15/19 WWL conference 10/10/18 Brockton DDS staff meeting 9/19/18
2F. Promoting Successful Community Reentry fr	1		
2F.1 The Department of Corrections (DOC), the	Offer institutional veteran	ICHH, VA, DVS and MassDOC	Progress to date:
Veterans' Administration, and the state	presentations at a minimum of four		Old Colony Correctional Center – Apri
Department of Veterans' Services identified	facilities per year.		2018 – 26 inmates attended (100%)
and developed a comprehensive strategy to	Benchmark of 90% or greater in		

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increase the number of Veteran Offenders receiving in-reach reentry planning ¹ , community-based referrals, and post release services.	attendance.	responsible Agency(les)	North Central Correctional Institution—April 2018 – 40 Inmates in attendance (100%). MCI-Norfolk – September 2018 – 47 Inmates in attendance (100%) MCI-Shirley Medium—October 2018 - 26 inmates in attendance (76%). MCI-Shirley Minimum— 10 inmates in attendance (100%). North Eastern Correctional Center—May 2019 – 8 Inmates in attendance (80%) Massachusetts Treatment Center—May 2019 – 33 inmates in attendance (79%). 209 Inmates were scheduled to attend; 190 Inmates attended; To date 91% attended the presentations. Two more institutions to be scheduled in the fall date TBD.

¹ Refers to outside providers or DVS staff working within the facility to engage and do re-entry planning prior to discharge

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2F.2 Pilot informational presentations in two DOC facilities with the largest number of incarcerated veterans twice per year in 2018. There will be an evaluation of the presentations by the veteran inmates to determine the value and efficacy for expansion to other DOC facilities as well as ongoing bi-annual presentations and workshops.	Pilot a Veterans Partnership Reentry focused presentation and Q&A sessions at 4 State Correctional facilities. Track percent of invitees that attend. Assess Veteran's inmates opinions and feedback regarding utility of		Completed Presentations to date. Evaluations resulted in a rating of 4.2 out of 5.0. Largest feedback was providing an avenue for agencies to follow up to be discussed.	
2F.3 Enhance Department of Corrections (DOC) reentry programs, including counseling individuals with disabilities leaving incarceration and enrolling them as permitted by the inmate in all benefit programs to which they may be entitled including MassHealth, SSI, SSDI, VA benefits and services provided by DMH and DPH as well as DTA cash assistance.	information presented. Decrease refusals for Medical and Mental Health Appointments in the community from 17% to 10% and 23% to 15% respectively. Continue to monitor MassHealth Applications and status at release and develop strategies to decrease pending applications from 5% to 2%.	MassHealth and others	Regarding the highlighted piece, MassHealth has implemented a process by which it will process MH applications for individuals leaving DOC custody within 3-5 days. As a result, MassHealth does not have a MH application backlog for individuals leaving DOC custody.	
2F.4 Develop model for identifying and providing specialized behavioral health and coordination services for justice-involved individuals with serious mental health and addiction needs, ensuring access to services to improve health outcomes.	Measure the number of justice- involved MassHealth members served during Project Year 1, the variety of correctional institutions served, (DOC and HoC), the level of supervision received, and early findings on various member outcome rates (such as housing, employment, recidivism, engagement in treatment, sobriety,	MassHealth	To implement this project, MH is in the process of procuring a vendor that will perform the tasks described in the year 1 measure. MH expects this vendor to complete all of these tasks by the end of CY19.	

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	and health care utilization).			
2F.5 Develop and implement a systematic	Enter into data use agreements with	MassHealth	Done.	
process to suspend MassHealth benefits for	correctional institutions.			
individuals who are incarcerated and				
sentenced, and upon release reset to status				
prior to incarceration or reassessed if				
incarcerated for over a year.				
2F.6 Continue to establish partnerships	Develop and implement an approval			
between DOC and other agencies in the	process for each State Correctional			
community, both public and private, to	facility to identify and track the # of			
promote the successful community	external partners/agencies providing			
reintegration of high risk/high need	in-reach services to high risk/high			
populations released from incarceration.	need populations.			
2F.7 Increase awareness of Substance Use	Identify training needs and curriculum.			
Disorder (SUD) within the EOEA target				
population through training for elder care				
providers to identify SUD and community				
resources and to develop models of SUD				
services targeting EOEA population.				

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3A. Improving Access to Gainful Employment an	d Employment Support					
3A.1 Launch interagency initiative of co-case management between Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA) and MRC designed to provide vocational and employment services to DTA clients with disabilities, enhancing their ability to achieve economic self-sufficiency.	MRC will fully implement the MRC/DTA employment initiative in select offices. MRC to track number DTA clients: Referred to MRC Eligible for Voc Rehab Employed	Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission	MRC and DTA have established an Inter-service agency agreement developing an employment initiative to serve mutual consumers in their efforts to choose, obtain and maintain employment. Currently working on new measures and data collection (see below) Year 2-3 Measures: Sustained Employment Reduced reliance on DTA benefits/Increased Income Long Term Outcome (>3 Yrs) Wages > 200% FPL Exit from DTA benefits			
		Department of Transitional Assistance	Sustained employment outcomes Increased Income/Reduced reliance on DTA benefits Increased Income/Reduced reliance on DTA benefits Wages > 200% FPL Exit DTA benefits Exit DTA benefits			

Activity Year 1 Measure Responsible Agency(ies) Progress to Date 3A.2 Collaborate with Career Centers to promote further access and enhance their Local Boards and Career Centers establish a plan with goals and Services (MDCS) Progress to Date MassHire Department of Career Services (MDCS) have established local	
promote further access and enhance their establish a plan with goals and Services (MDCS) have established local	
capacities to create employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities and to ensure One-Stop Centers are accessible. MoD will continue to partner with EOLWD in addressing accessibility issues as they arise. MassHire Career Centers MoD will continue to partner with EOLWD in addressing accessibility issues as they arise. Number of individuals with disability areported disability server Career Centers: FY18 (July 2017- June 201) FY19* (July 2017- March Number of individuals reported disability we employment in the 2 nd Exit: FY18 (July 2017- June 201)	I inter-service and MCB forms and rding assistive career ICB staff also ssHire Career de services to ities on-site at ugh referrals. I with a selfed at MassHire 12019): 8,519 a 2019): 8,595 a with a self-who obtained Quarter after

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			WIOA Section 188, issued January 25, 2018, is directed toward ensuring that the programs, services and facilities of each MassHire Career Center and any ancillary service delivery system are accessible to all, including individuals with disabilities. MassHire Workforce Boards and MassHire Career Centers are monitored for adherence to this policy directive.	
3A.3 EOEA will continue to support low income seniors with barriers to employment through the Senior Community Service Employment Program. SCSEP matches older adults with part-time jobs at community service assignments.	EOEA will support an estimated 150 older adults with employment barriers in obtaining part-time employment.	Elder Affairs	From 7/1/18-12/31/18 EOEA supported 144 older adults with significant employment barriers in obtaining part-time employment.	
3B. Increasing Access to Vocational Rehabilitation	on Services and Career Planning			
3B.1 Develop a customized MRC employment and peer support model in collaboration between Vocational Rehabilitation and Independent Living Center programs to address the high rate of unemployment amongst individuals with disabilities and to reduce the number of individuals that rely on public benefits.	As grant ends in December 2018, MRC will build in lessons learned from the grant to assist people with disabilities to live and work in the community.	Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission	MRC has developed a support services as part up a new RFR.	
3B.2 Led by Autism Commission, develop additional materials and trainings regarding the employment training needs and supported	Develop training for providers of employment training.			

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employment opportunities needed by individuals with ASD.			
3B.3 Continue to promote the employment of persons in recovery and peers in the community through Recovery Coaching programming and existing federal grants.	Document peer recovery workforce to determine employment and skill building needs.	Department of Mental Health	DPH Bureau of Substance Addiction Services has conducted a scan of recovery coaching in the state which was shared with the Recovery Coach Commission. The scan included information on where Recovery Coaches are being hired, their roles, their salaries, current training, and FY18 billing. Next steps include a recommendation for developing a Recovery Coach registry.

GOAL #4: Investing in Accessible Transportation for Individuals with Disabilities			
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4A. Continue to help build the capacity of the Massachusetts community transportation network.	Distribute an estimated \$10 million in Community Transit Grant Program (CTGP) funds available for capital and operating enhancements to meet mobility needs of seniors and people with Disabilities.	MassDOT	In FY 2019, MassDOT distributed \$9.3 million from federal and state sources for improving transportation for individuals with disabilities and older adults. (vehicles: \$8M; Operating projects: \$591K, Mobility Management: \$664K)
4B. Help build the capacity of the Massachusetts community transportation network by sharing best practices and	Publish 2 reports highlighting best practices and/or opportunities to improve mobility.	MassMobility	Report on partnering with TNCs & a whitepaper on volunteer driver programs will both be published by

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addressing gaps in transportation for people with disabilities			June 30, 2019
	Update MassMobility website to ensure information is accurate and comprehensive.		Updated summer/fall 2018
	Create a set of train-the-trainer tools to help human service agencies institutionalize an understanding of how to help consumers find and use community transportation services.		Webinars will be recorded summer 2019 & posted online by December 2019
	Highlight best practices in the monthly MassMobility newsletter; increase subscribers by 5% annually.		Newsletter published monthly Currently at 1320 subscribers as of 3/26/19
	Provide technical assistance as requested to help state agencies such as MRC or DDS or provider organizations improve mobility and access for people with disabilities.		For example, drafted a one-pager on transportation for transition-age students with disabilities for the DDS led Massachusetts Partnership for Transition to Employment initiative; will be finalized and published by December 2019